form of the park is being ruined by encircling a large portion of the park for the purpose of its commercial exploitation;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Hon. High Court and Supreme Court have warned against the commercial use of parks in Delhi; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) The New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has informed that it is wrong to say that parks in NDMC area are being openly used for commercial purposes.

(b) The NDMC has stated that the route of the existing jogging track has been modified in view of the renovation of the marriage park. The fencing of cricket ground has also been taken up to avoid inconvenience to the people due to open ground.

(c) and (d) The NDMC and Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) have informed that the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Writ Petition No. 4677/85 dated 6.12.95 prescribe, *inter-alia,* that parks shall not be permited to be used for the purposes of marriages and social functions for more than 10 days in a month by NDMC, MCD and DDA, and that no trees shall be cut from any of the parks for any purpose.

**Government houses occupied by non-government professionals**

†2234. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of people, who are not in Government service, are occupying Government houses in D-I, C-I, C-2, D-2, category in Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that a wide variety of people from diverse professions have been bestowed or endowed life-time housing;

(c) whether the number of life-time housing would also confer hereditary rights on their children and heirs;

(d) the steps that would be taken to negotiate and ease out such occupants who enjoy life-time housing; and

(e) the simultaneous steps to provide public housing for widows, orphans and working women?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) General Pool Residential Accommodations (GPRAs) are also allotted from time to time to eminent artists, persons of outstanding merit engaged in work of national standing or National Award winner in the field of Science, Sports or Social Services, Journalists, Freedom Fighters etc. From time to time. 47 such units of Government Accommodations have been allotted in Delhi.

(b) to (d) The extant policy does not provide for life-time housing allotment of Government accommodation.

(e) GPRA is not given to widows, orphans and women not working in Government Organisations. Women working in Government of India are provided GPRA. A ladies pool and an unmarried ladies pool is exclusively meant for such ladies.

**Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission**

2235. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain States have approached the Centre with city development plans for specific cities under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these plans have since been appraised by the Centre;

(d) if so, the position of Orissa in this sector; and

(e) the details of Central help that has been rendered to Orissa State for integrated development of its urban infrastructure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Out of 63 cities included in the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), 34 cities from 17 States/Union Territories have submitted their City Development Plans, out of which 22 from 10 States have been appraised.

(d) and (e) City Development Plan in respect of Bhubaneswar city in Orissa has been received and appraised. However, no Detailed Project Reports have been received from Orissa State on the basis of which Additional Central Assistance could be released.